

Abstract of the Disclosure

OPERATOR INTERFACE FOR A WORK MACHINE

An operator interface for a work machine having a machine display system and a mechanical linkage is disclosed. The interface includes an input device having a series of input mechanisms that are adapted to generate a linkage input signal to control the motion of the mechanical linkage and that are adapted to generate a display input signal to input information to the machine display system. A control module is adapted to operate in a linkage control mode, where the motion of the mechanical linkage is controlled, and a display control mode, where the input of information to the machine display system is controlled. A switch may also be associated with the interface. The switch may be adapted to switch the operating mode between the linkage control mode and the display control mode.